



COUNCILMEMBER CARL DeMAIO


FIFTH DISTRICT
CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 19, 2010

TO: Mayor Jerry Sanders
Council President Ben Hueso

CC: City Attorney Jan Goldsmith
City Councilmembers

FROM: Councilmember Carl DeMaio 

RE: Removal of Prop D – Sales Tax Increase – from the November Ballot

Today a lawsuit was filed against the City of San Diego challenging the legality of Proposition D – The Sales Tax Increase.

In light of this lawsuit, the Mayor and City Council will now have to decide whether to use taxpayer money to defend their actions in crafting, describing and placing this particular sales tax increase measure on the ballot.

On Tuesday, August 24 at 10:00am, the City Council will convene for a special meeting to reauthorize various emergency declarations and symbolically take up the Mayor's veto of placing the New City Hall project on the ballot.

To that end, I respectfully request that the Mayor and City Council President docket the issue of removing Prop D from the November ballot on the August 24th City Council agenda.

There is still time for the Mayor and City Council majority to reconsider their decision to pursue this effort to raise taxes on San Diegans. I urge the Mayor and City Council to take Prop D off the November ballot.